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Mrs. Ross Woodall, Managing Editor The Huntsville Item Huntsville, Texas

Dear Mrs. Woodall:

Your friends are pleased to note that the Texas Women's Press Association did itself the honor of naming the Managing Editor of The Huntsville Item as its representative to the national convention of the National Federation of Press Women to be held in Kansas City. That insures competent representation. Our neighbor Mrs. J.R. Martin is also to be congratulated upon her newly won honors for creative work.

As an interested observer of the progress which is being made by Negro citizenry of our county, permit me to add my commendation of the Item's generous policy in giving space to news items of interest in which they may be involved. I read with special interest in the issue of April 23 the account of the courageous conduct of Rollin Annis in his effits to resque persons and property from the regrettable fire which recently occured in our city. It was with appreciation of the patriotism of the Negroes of our country that I called over the names of the forty-three Negro men who are to leave Huntsville on May I to be inducted into the United States Army. I am sure we shall have cause to be proud of their record of service.

The several items of school news from the Negro schools of the county were interesting. I have come to watch for the Dodge Negro school notes each week.

You are giving us a fine paper which maintains the splendid record of The Item through is nearly a century of service. Please accept my expressions of appreciation of the occasional reference in its columns of the mamax doings of the J.L.Clarks.

Sincerely yours,

J.L.Clark